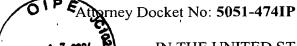
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Agris et al.

Application No.: 09/747,467

Examiner: C. Cheu Group Art Unit: 1641

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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR DETERMINING THE PURITY OF

CHEMICALLY SYNTHESIZED NUCLEIC ACIDS

Date: August 17, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of 1 month to respond		
the C	Official Action dated	June 17, 2004.	
2.	A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:		
		is filed herewith.	·
		has been filed.	
3.	Applicant:		
	Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.		
	Does n	ot claim small entity status.	
4.	Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):		
	Total Months	Fee For Other	Fee for
	Requested	Than Small Entity	Small Entity
\boxtimes	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
	two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
	three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

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✓ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
✓ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
✓ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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